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WE desire to express our sympathy with
the students of Yale, who are again
afflicted by the death of one of their number.
Mr. Thomas G. Lawrence, of the senior class,
entered into eternal rest on the sixteenth inst.,
under the shadow of his *Alma Mater* and
surrounded by his loving classmates.

THE new system of lectures to the Junior
class in Physics has been a great success.
But one recitation is held a week, and the rest
of the time is given to lectures. The class
has exhibited great interest in the subject,
and though the new system adds to the ease
of "cutting" there has been but one unex-
cused absence from these lectures since they
began.

WE congratulate Amherst on the recon-
sideration by the faculty of the resolu-
tion discouraging the participation of that
college in inter-collegiate athletic sports. The
enforcement of the law has already had the
effect of diminishing the interest of the stu-
dents in out-door exercises and in retarding
the energies of the men that have striven to
keep the status of athletics up to its standard.
It will require hard work to recover the lost
ground, but we have no doubt that it can
and will be done, now that the officers of the
college have acknowledged the reasonableness
of the existing canons of college athletics.

IT is with feelings of great satisfaction that
we pronounce the new regime in the dining
hall administration a complete success.

A welcome innovation is the provision
for good service by a corps of German waiters
of capability and experience. It remains for
the students to show their appreciation of the
steward's willingness to meet the reasonable
demands, by aiding him in all possible ways
which are constantly showing themselves,
especially by the exercise of forbearance in
emergencies when there may be a temporary
failure to carry out his good intentions.

THERE is in existence somewhere in the
store-rooms of the college a moderately
large collection of shells and minerals of con-
siderable value as specimens illustrative in the
study of natural sciences, the use of which
for such purpose is denied by the lack of
means for properly exhibiting them. A place
for cases to contain such articles has been
provided in the gallery of the cabinet, but
the required cases have not been obtained.
A small sum of money would meet the
necessity and secure for us a valuable addition
to the wealth of the cabinet by merely making
use of what the college already possesses.

THE College colors, as changed from green and white to dark blue and old gold, were first used in forming a distinctive dress by the Trinity players in the inter-collegiate tennis tournament. The effect was very good. The colors go well together, and the caps and Jerseys of alternate stripes of blue and gold were very becoming. When the change was first suggested it met with some opposition, since the old colors had long been in use and were surrounded by many pleasant recollections; but now we think all are pleased with the change, and will admit that the new colors have many advantages over the old.

THE scrap book fiend has again been busy clipping items of news out of the periodicals in the reading room. This mutilation not only deprives us of the articles which we wish especially to read, but, since the papers are laid away, it damages the value of the whole file. This time, however, the peculation has not been confined to articles, but we understand that whole papers and magazines have been taken away, and in consequence the reading-room committee have been at extra expense to replace them. If any one is caught at this dodge, we hope that the offender will be taught, without ceremony, what is the sentiment of the college in such regard.

MUCH care is devoted to collecting and utilizing the vocal talent in college, while all instrumental ability is suffered to be neglected. It was not long ago that an orchestra was formed and much enthusiasm displayed on the part of the members, nor was the college lacking in interest for its welfare. Judging from the developments we have noticed this term, we are sure that should such another organization be formed there would be numerous applications for admission. If those who are interested in instrumental music would only start and push on an effort of this kind, they might combine with the Glee Club and present a very attractive programme. Should our suggestion be followed out, we think no one would repent of having undertaken the matter.

THERE is always a superabundance of vitality in college students, which has to find an outlet. Athletics and what is known

as "bumming" are some of the ways in which the undergraduates of all colleges relieve their too great flow of youthful spirits. Just at present there is no dissipation in Trinity, but its place has been supplied by another form of amusement, if bumming can be called by so mild a term. Various so-called "secret societies," whose most important features are their initiation services, have been holding their wierd and awful ceremonies. Ghostly figures have been seen flitting about the neighboring cemetery late at night, while unearthly yells and groans have risen from around dancing flames in its remote parts. Much amusement has been derived from all this nonsense, and no harm done to those concerned in it.

THE Hosmer Hall Choral Union is growing more popular every day. It is an association which the city has great reason to be proud of. The music taken up is entirely of a sacred character, but notwithstanding this fact there is a great variety of style. This season the society intends to master the *Messiah*, and a number of anthems selected with great care from the leading modern composers. In addition to these some German Chorals are being rehearsed, which will be sung in one of the churches of the city at the time of the Luther celebration. The students who have joined this year—about twelve men have done so—are devoted to Mr. Pratt, the conductor, and are perfectly captivated by the music and rehearsals. The membership fee is small, and the only expense besides this is the cost of copies of the music, which is a small item. There are few colleges in the country that have the advantages of such an organization open to them. We trust all the students who sing will recognize this fact and if they have any hesitation about joining, attendance at one rehearsal will dispel all doubt.

THE system of instruction by lectures is undergoing a decided improvement in several departments, more especially in that of Physics. Steady confinement to a text book is wearisome in the extreme, and there is a great relief and spur to the mind in being, at times, educated apart from it. As it affords a person sailing down stream infinite

pleasure to land and stroll along the shore, so to the student the step from recitation to lecture has the effect of changing the field of view. Subjects which often seem to lack attractiveness, by a right presentation and closer examination attract and win the attention, and from this often springs a deep interest. By means of lectures, matters in general are better understood and a broader grasp is taken of them, simply because the mind can more easily attend and concentrate itself on the question in hand. In mental and political science there are numerous side questions which are continually suggesting themselves. When a professor, by lecturing on these, brings out their significance, it serves to impress upon the mind all the more strongly the scope and importance of the main subject. A good lecture will always drive home the points which one has acquired by recitation.

AN effort is to be made to add optional studies to our course. This, we think, is a step in the right direction. After an undergraduate reaches his Junior year, he should be allowed some choice in the formation of his education. It is possibly necessary that under-graduates should have their course arranged by men who have learned the value of a broad and liberal foundation for every education, but at the end of Sophomore year such compulsion should be, if not removed, still greatly relaxed. All healthy men have certain physical resemblances, and up to a certain point their athletic development can be exactly alike with benefit to all; but when the nicer points of athletic training are to be brought out, it is found that each man must be treated somewhat differently from any of the rest. One man's chest is weaker than another's, one must enlarge his biceps and leave his legs alone if he wishes to be symmetrical; and so if we attempt to form a large number of men after a perfect physical model, we will find that each one must, in the finer portions of his development, follow a course peculiar to himself, bringing out his strong points and remedying his defects. All this is, to a certain extent, true in the mental world; and as soon as men have learned to know themselves intellectually, they should be allowed some choice in their mental training.

FORTUNATE indeed is the college which can, without misusing the word, call any one of its efforts a success. It is the word expressive, not of a step backward, not of a mere standing still, but of an actual advance. The more times it can be said of anything we attempt, just so many more degrees has the college advanced to that grand position of success which it is sure to hold some day, and toward which it is now steadily pressing. It is therefore with pleasure that we are able to add to the past successes of our college one more, and one which is of value to us.

The Tennis Association, which we started, and in which we consequently take a wholesome pride, has had its second tournament. With the hearty co-operation of our sister colleges, a generous enthusiasm among our own students, and most propitious weather, the association was enabled to make the three days of the meeting occasions long to be remembered. Never has such brilliant playing been seen in Hartford before.

The evident equality of strength among the different teams made the playing much more spirited and careful, and thus gave the spectators an exhibition of delicate and intricate strokes, which could be only really appreciated by one understanding the difficulties of such brilliant playing. The feature, new this year, of sending out printed invitations to friends of the college and lovers of tennis proved a very fortunate one, as the crowd of spectators amply showed.

We are especially to be congratulated on our ability to offer to the visiting players such excellent grounds to play on. For beauty they cannot be excelled, and the good quality of the courts was unquestioned. Our thanks are due to the Retreat authorities for so kindly placing them at our disposal.

May the event prove that we have not advocated this movement in vain, and may the next tournament bring back to us those who have been here before, and with them the new faces of representatives from all the other colleges belonging to the association.

WE wish to call the attention of our alumni to the fact, that the college stands in great need of new gymnasium. No one, who is familiar with the tastes and views of the average boy about to enter college, can doubt that twenty-five thousand dollars

spent for this object would be of more practical benefit, in drawing students to Trinity, than a much larger sum invested in new professorships. The present building, fitted up with plenty of ladders, bars, rings, etc., in mild weather affords an opportunity for the athlete to test his agility, and sometimes has served as a place in which the ball nine have managed to train; but as for encouraging exercise, or aiding physical development among the great body of the students, we might as well be without it. What passed for a good college gymnasium fifteen years ago is to-day considered next to useless. Dr. Scudder, in his lectures (which we hope will be repeated) dwelt upon the necessity of a proper temperature and fresh air in all apartments and of a bath and change of clothing immediately after exercise. In cold weather our gymnasium can not be heated and, when moderately cold, if heated, it becomes close; besides it is too far from the college to afford facilities for a bath and change of clothing. What we would like to see is a building well warmed and ventilated, with bath and dressing rooms attached. There should be space enough on the main floor to lay out a Tennis Court and afford the ball nine a place to practise batting. All this in addition to the apparatus, which we have already. Bowling alleys and billiard tables should also have a place in every thoroughly equipped gymnasium. Within the last decade American colleges have multiplied their facilities in all departments, and we are happy to state that Trinity has not been left behind except in physical culture. From the report of the college finances we learn that "seven hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars have been expended in the magnificent new buildings and the land on which they are placed," (besides what Northam Tower cost.) Why should not thirty thousand be expended on a gymnasium?

THIS afternoon the Freshman foot ball eleven are to meet the High School boys on the West Park, and a good game may be confidently expected; for although the Freshmen have not had the needed practice, and are comparatively light in weight, they seem to be made of good material and are in excellent athletic trim.

THE INTER-COLLEGIATE TOURNAMENT.

The second tournament of the Inter-Collegiate Lawn Tennis Association was conducted under the auspices of the Trinity College association on the grounds of the Retreat in this city, beginning Tuesday, Oct. 9th at 3 P. M., and continuing till noon of the following Thursday.

In response to cards of invitations issued to the friends of the college and the patrons of lawn tennis in this and neighboring cities, a large number of ladies and gentlemen were in constant attendance on the games.

The scene on the beautiful grounds of the Retreat, the use of which was as on the occasion of the spring tournament of the inter-collegiate association, kindly permitted by Dr. Stearns, was magnificent and memorable. Surrounding the three courts were seated many admirers of the games, a noticeably large proportion of whom were ladies, wearing bright autumnal colors that bore a striking and beautiful contrast to the dark foliage of the high trees, surrounding the green sward, which was nearly encircled by a carriage road, from which many, seated in their own conveyances, viewed the games.

The annual meeting of the association was held in Jarvis Hall at noon of the first day, at which were present representatives from all of the colleges represented in the tournament.

The executive committee, in whom is vested the authority of the association, was constituted for the year as follows:

Frank W. Richardson, '84, Trinity, President.
 Julius T. A. Doolittle, '84, Yale, V-Pres.
 Walter F. Wilcox, '84, Amherst, Sec. and Treasurer.
 George M. LaMonte, '84, Wesleyan.
 Henry B. Gardner, '84, Brown.
 Henry W. Woodbridge, '84, Williams.
 Howard A. Taylor, '86, Harvard.

Princeton, Columbia, and the University of Pennsylvania, which were elected to membership at the spring meeting, were not represented. After the transaction of routine business, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the president in April next.

The conditions of the tournament allowed any college in the association to enter one

pair and two single players, specifying that each pair should play every other pair, and that the singles should be played on the "knock-out system"—that any losing man is eligible to play for the position next below that won by his victor. It was further provided that representatives of the same college should not compete with each other, except in final matches, if they should so desire, and that no college should be awarded more than one position in the single contests. The colleges were represented in the tournament as follows:

AMHERST.—(Colors, dark blue and white.) Appleton, '84 and Chase, '87, singles and doubles.

BROWN.—(Color, brown.) Gardner, '84, and Hill, '85, singles and doubles.

HARVARD.—(Color, crimson.) Presbury, '85, and Taylor, '86, singles and doubles.

TRINITY.—(Colors, dark blue and gold.) Hills, '84, and Hamlin, '87, singles; Brainard, '84, and Purdy, '84, doubles.

YALE.—(Color, blue.) Thorn, '85, s. s. s., and Knapp, '86, singles and doubles.

WESLEYAN.—Hoyt, '84, singles.

The following is a capitulation of the games:

SINGLES.

(First Round.)

Taylor, Harvard, *vs.* Knapp, Yale, 6-2, 6-3.
Thorne, Yale, *vs.* Presbury, Harvard, 6-5, 6-3.
Hamlin, Trinity, *vs.* Chase, Amherst, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.

Gardner, Brown, *vs.* Hills, Trinity, 6-2, 6-3.
Hill, Brown, *vs.* Hoyt, Wesleyan, 6-0, 6-1.
Appleton, Amherst, bye.

(Second Round.)

Thorne, Yale, *vs.* Gardner, Brown, 6-1, 2-6, 6-3.
Hill, Brown, *vs.* Hamlin, Trinity, 6-2, 6-5.
Taylor, Harvard, *vs.* Appleton, Amherst, 6-2, 6-4.

(Third Round.)

Thorne, Yale, *vs.* Hill, Brown, 6-2, 6-3.
Taylor, Harvard, *vs.* Thorne, Yale, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4, 6-0.

HARVARD, first place.

For second place, Thorne and Knapp, of Yale, and Appleton, of Amherst, were eligible to play. On forfeiture by the two latter it was awarded to Thorne, for Yale.

The third place was awarded to Brown.

DOUBLES.

Harvard *vs.* Amherst, 6-0, 6-4.

Harvard *vs.* Trinity, 6-1, 6-2.

Harvard *vs.* Brown, 6-1, 6-5.

Harvard *vs.* Yale, 5-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Total, Harvard 53, opponents 25.

Yale *vs.* Amherst, 6-5, 6-1.

Yale *vs.* Harvard, 6-5, 4-6, 2-6.

Yale *vs.* Trinity, 6-1, 6-2.

Yale *vs.* Brown, 6-2, 6-4.

Total, Yale 48, opponents 32.

Brown *vs.* Trinity, 6-2, 6-5.

Brown *vs.* Amherst, 6-2, 6-3.

Brown *vs.* Harvard, 1-6, 5-6.

Brown *vs.* Yale, 2-6, 4-6.

Total, Brown 36, opponents 36.

Amherst *vs.* Harvard, 0-6, 4-6.

Amherst *vs.* Trinity, 6-2, 6-4.

Amherst *vs.* Yale, 5-6, 1-6.

Amherst *vs.* Brown, 2-6, 3-6.

Total, Amherst 27, opponents 42.

Trinity *vs.* Brown, 2-6, 5-6.

Trinity *vs.* Harvard, 1-6, 2-6.

Trinity *vs.* Amherst, 2-6, 4-6.

Trinity *vs.* Yale, 1-6, 2-6.

Total, Trinity 19, opponents 48.

A SUMMER TALE.

PART SECOND.

The town of A—lies on the outskirts of the Adirondack wilderness about two miles from the railway station. Around it on all sides the mountains rise, stretching away in long ranges toward the north. About a quarter of a mile from the hotel, at this time filled with summer excursionists, a beautiful lake lies nestling in the lap of the hills. It was early in the evening when our hero stepped from the 'bus' onto the piazza. The moon was full, and reflected in the calm bosom of the lake, it gave to the scene a beauty wierd and romantic. The glory and quiet of the night soothed him by its contrast to the fever and glitter of an evening in Saratoga, and it was with a feeling of impatience that he was awakened from his reverie by a waiter seizing his bag and overcoat while another attacked him with a clothes-brush in a furious and energetic manner, and a boot-black rushed up and yelled "shine."

After registering, examining his room, and eating a slight tea, he sought the piazza, and, lighting a cigar, gave himself up to reverie. As he sat there watching the silvery ripples on the water, he found himself attracted by a conversation between two gentlemen seated near him.

"She came here some time ago," said one, "and I was struck by the beauty of her face and by its extreme paleness. Some days after I first saw her I was asked at the office if I would attend a sick person at Farmer Jenkins', across the lake, as the village physician was out of town on his vacation. When I entered the farmer's parlor, this girl was seated in a chair by the window, and I saw at once that she was very ill. She was threatened with a fever, and after leaving directions with Mrs. Jenkins I left the house, but returned at night and found the patient much better. I could not then explain the strange influence the face of the girl made on me, but I have since then found a clue to it, and will perhaps tell you soon what I mean. She is a lady in her conversation and manners, but hard work had almost used her up." Our hero was intensely interested in this account, and turning toward the speaker recognized him as an old college friend and, at the time, a popular young physician, whose practice in New York was continually growing. The pleasure at the meeting was mutual, and the evening wore away in talk of old times and of the ambitions and hopes for the future. As our reporter lay awake that night, the face of the girl and that of his old friend looked at him from the darkness, and between them he saw a strange resemblance. The same sensitive, aristocratic features, the same delicate, intellectual cast, appeared in both faces with a curious and inexplicable likeness. Wondering at this strange phenomenon, he at length fell asleep.

His friend, the physician, had had a curious life. Losing both parents when he was still very young, he and his little sister had been cared for by relatives until, when she was about twelve years of age, his sister had mysteriously disappeared, and no trace of her could ever be found. With his young life thus clouded by a great sorrow, he had entered college and studied with an almost feverish energy to forget if he could the great grief of his life. His manner had felt the

influence of this, and it was with some surprise that our hero received the light-hearted, cheery "Good morning" of his friend next day and perceived the new sparkle of happiness dancing in his clear, blue eyes. The thought came to him with terrible force that the doctor had fallen in love with the sick girl, and the new love had caused him to forget the sorrows of his early life. With this impression on him, he answered his friend in a cold and distant way, and the conversation at breakfast was forced and constrained. As they sat on the piazza after breakfast, the doctor proposed a boat ride on the lake, and in a few minutes they were rowing swiftly across the quiet waters towards the houses on the opposite shore. Before they reached the bank the doctor ceased rowing, and, turning to his friend, said: "You have perhaps noticed my good spirits since you came. I will soon show you the cause if you will come with me for a short walk."

It was with a sinking heart our hero stepped from the boat. The certainty that he was now to be introduced to his friend's *fiancee* filled him with despair. As they approached a farm house standing near the lake, the joyous face of the doctor contrasted strangely with the gloomy countenance of the reporter. This contrast was increased when they neared the house, and on its low piazza the beautiful form of the New York girl appeared. She was reading, and as she looked up and saw the doctor a bright smile crossed her face, and, jumping up, she rushed down the steps, and, to the astonishment and chagrin of our hero, gave the doctor a warm kiss on each cheek. Then turning to the reporter, the warm blush rushed to her cheeks, and she looked for an explanation towards the doctor. Turning to our hero, the doctor said, still holding the hand of the girl: "Let me introduce, my dear fellow, the sister I lost ten years ago." The jealousy that had been consuming our reporter melted away at these words, and the wonderful resemblance that had struck him the night before became more marked as he looked with unblinded eyes on the brother and sister before him.

There is no need to dwell on the days which followed, filled with all the delight which first love adds to youth and health. The long hours on the lake, the mountain

climbs, the moonlight nights, made the "old, old story" as romantic as the most poetical reporter that ever wielded pen could desire. In the fall the death of our hero's uncle made him a millionaire, and the poor telegraph operator, with the roses of health blooming in her cheeks, returned to New York as mistress of one of the handsomest houses on Madison Avenue. NAV.

THE LOVERS.

Hand in hand they stood together,
On that lone and barren cliff,
And they watched the peaceful waters;
Watched each passing bark and skiff.

They had strolled away in silence,
From the rude and boisterous life,
Where the gay and bustling city
Mingled all in moneyed strife.

Both were young, and both were comely,
And they longed to be alone.
So they climbed the weary pathway
Leading to the lover's zone.

There they sat and he in rapture
Said, "My darling let me now
Give a gift however trifling,
To reseat our solemn vow.

"Some slight token of devotion,
Not of great intrinsic worth.
Some fair flower from off this mountain,
Treasured gift of mother earth.

"Or I'll climb yon craggy incline,
Bring you back that ivy there;
Emblem of your trusting nature,
Giving me thy woes to bear."

With a maiden's modest bearing,
And a flush on either cheek,
Thus she answered to her lover,
Sweet, unselfish, pure and meek.

"Dearest," and her eyes looked downward,
While her lips a quiver showed,
"Dearest, down in Smithson's window,"
Here her face with pleasure glowed.

"In his window is a necklace,
Which, if I'm to be your bride,
Give to me, thy sweetheart wants it
More than all the world beside."

Then a cloud of sad remembrance
Paled his face, compressed his lips,
For he knew his last half dollar
She had spent in candy chips.

C. M. A.

A CHOICE OF POETS.

Every college student, as well as those who have not enjoyed the blessings of a college education, as he grows older and begins to gain for himself an insight into the wants and requirements of his future life, feels more strongly each year the need of a broad and strengthening course of reading. In prose and poetry so large is the field, and so vast the amount of excellent literature, that the novice is overwhelmed in his desire to read intelligently and with the greatest benefit to himself. On this account all aid from eminent men is of the utmost value, and it is for this reason that we are tempted to quote the following from a recent speech of Chief Justice Coleridge to the students of Haverford College:

"First, first always, Shakespeare, an inexhaustible storehouse of wisdom, instruction, and exquisite diction. Then Milton, one of the best masters for an orator. Mr. Bright—I do not say the greatest orator of our generation, but if there be a greater orator I never heard him—told me that he had built himself up upon Milton; and if you watch his words and the structure of his sentences as he speaks, you will see how they are pervaded by the spirit of this great poet, and how, though he does not imitate Milton, he speaks after Milton. Then Wordsworth—and if I have any fault to find with America it is that I fear you do not do Wordsworth quite the honor which he deserves—the poet of nature and of lofty spiritual thought.

"And then there is one who wrote too little, but every word he did write is precious, whose poetry I want you to get by heart, and that is Gray. There is in him the perfection of diction and melody. Then a poet whom I admired very much in college, and have always admired as a poet, though there was much in the life of the man, and some things in his writings, which are by no means to be commended—Shelley. Then the poet on whom the best subsequent poetry has been built, the true master of Tennyson, a man of the richest fancy and most exquisite diction—John Keats. I beg you learn by heart his 'Hyperion,' his 'Ode on a Grecian Urn,' and 'Ode to a Nightingale.' You may be surprised at the name I shall select from your American poets when I tell you to learn Bryant. I do not say Longfellow, because,

although he is a sweet and noble and delightful poet, he is not American—I mean that his poetry might just as well have been written in England, or Italy, or Germany, or France as in America, but Mr. Bryant's poetry is full of the characteristics of his own country, as well as noble, natural, and invigorating."

*EXTRACT FROM A SOPHOMORE'S
THEME ON "SUMMER."*

"But for all this the sea shore is the finest place in summer. To lie on the beach while the sand fleas bite your bare feet, and the wind blows the sand into your eyes, is delicious. To hear the crowd murmur as you pass by in your new striped bathing suit, 'Is it alive?' is enough to tickle any man's conceit. To plunge through the grand old breakers as they thunder on the shore, and get about a quart of water in your stomach, is a splendid bracing for a hard winter's work. To lie awake at night and listen to the melodious murmur of the distant surf, while the mosquitoes in your own room and the baby in the next, make night one grand dream of harmony, is an experience to be remembered through the gloomy months of fall and winter. To cure your chronic dyspepsia by lobster and crabs and poor vegetables and bad butter, is better than paying a doctor's bill. Oh, yes! the sea shore is the place, and beats the mountains and the lakes by a big majority.

The Seniors have to take it occasionally. The other day in political economy a point connected with mechanics was brought up, and the professor's judgment was appealed to. In reply he said: "I have grown decidedly rusty on these points, through the many years intervening since my college days; but you, who are very fresh—" Here an idea that he had said something wrong struck him, and he stopped. It is needless to pursue the subject further. The moral is obvious.

The next number of the TABLET will be issued on Saturday, November 10, 1883.

JOURNALISM ON OLYMPUS.

I.

When business in Olympus streets was growing very pressing,
And all the Gods and Goddesses were very fond of dressing,
Sweet Hebe in her polonaise and Venus in her bonnet,
Which all declared was quite too sweet whene'er they
looked upon it.
'Twas at this time of growing wealth and fashion's complications,
That Jupiter returned above from a two years vacation.
Among the people here below he'd learned a lot of notions
Of government and discipline and real high 'cult' devo-
tions,
So when he heard how matters stood he cut an awful caper,
And swore that ere the year was out he'd have a daily
paper.

II.

And soon he organized his board, and centralized his forces
Made Mars the business editor and judge of all divorces,
To gather news and gossip Mercury he thought was fitted,
Swift of foot and very social, full of pity for the pitied.
Then on sentiment and fashions, Love and Venus were
appointed;
Juno on the culture columns, high asthetics, loose and
jointed;
Ceres took the agriculture, having Flora to assist her,
While the Sibyl wrote on prophecy, and on poetry her
sister.
Sturdy Vulcan ran the printing, set the type and worked
the presses;
Ganymede became the "devil," sorted "pi" and got in
messes.

III.

For awhile affairs worked nicely, things were new, and all
went well
Till the bore of added labors on the Gods began to tell.
Mars complained about the extras, said he'd have no more
such cuts,
As that last on Styx and Pluto, showing how the heathen
struts,
Then he vowed he'd not pay Vulcan, while affairs were
thus askew,
As they owed a hundred obols, for the year's subscription
due.
Mercury was flirting badly, didn't work and only brought
Half the matter to the office, that he really fairly ought;
And poor Venus got entangled in a little lovers' scrape
With the writer of exchanges, so her work was out of shape.

IV.

Then the Sibyl got excited, said she would not write
again,
Just because poor "Ju" objected to a wierd thing from her
pen,

And her sister told some stories of poor "Jubi" that were queer,
 So he thought it best to give her leave of absence for a year.
 Till at last there came the climax, matter scarce and very poor,
 Vulcan calling for more copy, "devil" waiting at the door.
 So in grim despair and sorrow, Jubiter despatched a note,
 "After this one, no more papers, all the board is quite afloat."
 Then he sadly took his tablets down from off the dusty shelf,
 Sat him down and with much labor wrote that number all himself.

MALC.

DONATION TO THE CABINET.

Lieutenant Nathan H. Barnes, United States navy, has presented to the cabinet specimens of well-preserved fossil fishes from the noted locality of Mount Lebanon, in Syria. They comprise two specimens of *clupea brevissima* (a fish related to the herring) and one of *spaniodon elongatus*. They are characteristic of the early Tertiary in the locality named. The specimens were identified by Professor Lewis, of Beirut.

Lieut. Barnes was in the naval academy under the chaplaincy of Rev. Dr. Smith.

COLLEGE AND CAMPUS.

Bishop Williams preached the sermon at the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Potter, assistant bishop of New York, last Sunday.

There are eighteen applicants for the vacant places in the Glee Club.

The Sophomores have elected Niles captain of the class eleven.

Professor Cheeseman is giving the Seniors an interesting course of lectures on the electric light.

Professor Luther's sermon preached in the chapel last Sunday morning elicited very favorable comments.

Mr. McCook has resumed his series of French evenings.

The subjects for the next Senior themes are "Voltaire," "The Effects on Character of Different Ways of Acquiring Money," and a topic suggested by the text "The king is dead: long live the king."

The library now numbers nearly 2,200 volumes.

Po Pai Paig recently had its posters up, and is supposed to have conducted its ancient rites after the prescribed form.

Mr. J. P. Hoffort and wife have taken charge of the dining hall, and are giving great satisfaction.

The Freshman Foot Ball Eleven practice most every afternoon.

Prof. Hart's health is greatly improved.

Mr. Charles Dudley Warner will deliver a course of lectures at Trinity next term.

Pres. Smith has been away at the General Convention during the past two weeks.

SIGMA PHI KAPPA.

This Sophomore society recently held its annual initiation, which was conducted with more pomp than secrecy. After the due solemnities and a wierd procession around the campas, the society adjourned to partake of a collation in 36 J. H. While the feast was going on, some anti-Sigs locked the doors of the section and turned off the gas. After a half-hour's imprisonment one of the Sigs managed to escape and liberate his companions, who at once seized upon the leader of the anti-Sigs and were about to administer a "paddling," when the appearance of a Senior put a stop to further proceedings.

THE GERMAN CLUB

has elected the following committee: E. L. Purdy, Chairman; E. S. VanZile and S. T. Miller. The new members of the club are J. Mc. C. Hays, '86; Hermann Lilienthal, '86; C. W. Bowman, '87; A. C. Hamlin, '87; S. Hendrie, '87; F. M. Vermilye, '87; and G. S. Waters, '87. The first German of the season will be given on Nov. 16th.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

The Athletic Association is organized as follows for 1883-4: E. L. Purdy, '84, President; S. T. Miller, '85, Secretary and Treasurer; Committee, E. L. Purdy, '84, *ex-officio* Chairman; F. W. Richardson, '84, Vice-President; S. T. Miller, '85, James Goodwin, '86, and J. W. Shannon, '87.

PHI BETA KAPPA.

H. R. Neely and J. M. Brainard have been elected the Assistant Secretary and the Assistant Treasurer respectively of the local Beta.

THE CHAPEL CHOIR.

The choir has been reorganized, and is at present doing very faithful work. The new choristers show by their regular attendance at rehearsals that they are anxious to become familiar with the music. Efforts will be made to secure for the members of the choir some compensation for their services. From the following list it will be seen that the Freshman class is well represented:

S. S. Mitchell, '85, Organist.

Cantoris.

Magill, '84, Leader.

Cameron, '86.

Applegate, '87.

Tibbits, '87.

Waters, '87.

Decani.

McCrackan, '85.

Lobdell, '85.

Carter, '87.

Saltus, '87.

Whitcome, '87.

PERSONALS.

[It is particularly desired that the Alumni furnish us with all items of interest that may come to their knowledge concerning every one who has been connected with the College.]

HOPSON, '27. The golden wedding of the Rev. Oliver Hopson, the only surviving member of the first class graduated at the college, was celebrated at Madalin-on-the-Hudson, N. Y., on the 9th of September.

WILLIAMS, '35. The Rt. Rev. John Williams preached the sermon at the consecration of the Assistant Bishop of New York on the 20th of October.

STIMSON, '48. The address of the Rev. L. B. Stimson is Ford River, Delta county, Mich.

KNICKERBACKER, '53. The Rev. D. B. Knickerbacker, D. D., was consecrated Bishop of Indiana in St. Mark's church, Philadelphia, on Sunday, October 14th.

SYLE, '67. The Rev. H. W. Syle was ordained to the priesthood in the Church of the Covenant, Philadelphia, on the 14th of October. This is thought to be the first instance of a deaf mute being advanced to priests' orders. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, '42.

KENNEDY, '68. Mr. Frank Kennedy has assumed the management for Washington Co., Md., of the interests of the Baltimore Telephone Co.

HIESTER, '76. Mr. Isaac Hiester has been appointed a solicitor for the Pennsylvania Railroad Co.

BLACKMER, '78. Mr. William C. Blackmer has for the past two years been engaged in the work of codifying and consolidating the Statutes of North Carolina.

HILLS, '78. The Rev. John D. Hills preached the sermon at the last session of the Convocation of Burlington, New Jersey.

NEWTON, '81. Mr. Edward P. Newton has entered the Berkeley Divinity School.

BARCLAY, '80. Robert Barclay, M. D., has removed to 4 West 28th Street, New York.

CARTER, '82. Mr. Bernard M. Carter spent the summer in Europe.

HOLDEN, '82. Seaver M. Holden is instructor of Latin and Greek at Dr. Porter's school, Charleston, S. C.

COWL, '83. Mr. Maurice L. Cowl is to reside in Bermuda until the 1st of June.

HUNTINGTON, '83. Mr. John W. Huntington will spend the winter at Tampa, Florida.

KURTZ, '83. Mr. Clarence M. Kurtz has entered the Jefferson Medical School in Philadelphia.

Messrs John Ridgeley Carter, '83, and Frank Roosevelt, '83, sailed a few days ago for a year's journey in Europe.

Besides the graduates mentioned in our last number, the Rev. O. S. Prescott, '44, is a deputy from the diocese of Fond-du-Lac to the General Convention, and the Rev. M. M. Marshall, D. D., '63, is a deputy from the diocese of North Carolina.

OBITUARY.

GEORGE KNEELAND entered into the rest of paradise on the evening of July 3, 1883.

With feelings of deepest sadness do we chronicle these words. Others, more venerable in years, with lordlier honors, and bearing the rich harvest of a completed and rounded life, have been taken from our midst; but never has the stroke of death fallen upon one so near and dear to all our hearts.

In the bright flush of youth, with the colors of the dawn yet upon him, and with so much of suggestion, promise and possibility stretching out into the vales of the future, his brief life seems to us a tale half told; his early death becomes a solemn warning of mortality.

Trained for college in the south of France, George Kneeland entered Trinity in the autumn of '76, and here, from the first, his genial nature, his active public spirit, and true manliness marked him as a leader in his class; while an attractive presence and a

kindly courtesy threw him into no less prominence in the social life of the town.

One of the charter members of the Phi Kappa chapter, holding high office in the local organization, and afterwards representing Trinity in the general executive council, he was well known throughout the fraternity as devoted to her interests and generous in her support.

The life of the Class Day of 1880, he was graduated at the following Commencement, and shortly afterwards began the study of law in the Columbia schools. It was at the completion of these studies that death came so swiftly and so noiselessly upon him; but, unexpected as the summons was, the simple faith and clean heart that he had borne through life enabled him to respond to it with a patient resignation as rare as it is beautiful. Thoughtful to the last for those around him, and wondering at their grief, he passed away commending his soul into its Maker's hands, and looking forward to the resurrection of the just. "The Lord grant unto him that he may find mercy of the Lord in that day."

STEWART STONE, '80,
JOHN RIDGELY CARTER, '83,
GEORGE HEATHCOTE HILLS, '84,
HARWOOD HUNTINGTON, '84,

For the Chapter.

PHI KAPPA CHAPTER HALL, Oct. 4, 1883.

EXCHANGES.

The Yale Record presents a very neat appearance and is printed excellently. In a long article on "The Tennis Association" it says that this body has done much to increase the popularity of the game but has not accomplished the design for which it was organized, namely, to raise the standard of the playing; and that good courts for winter practice and a fine turf court for use in the spring are essential. It advises the association to hire courts for the winter—say two, and that one be set aside for the sole use of the best players, and the other let out by the hour at a sufficient rent to cover its own rent and a part of that of the other. This suggestion of the *Record* seems to us an

admirable one and ought to be adopted. Some of the other colleges that will join the Inter-Collegiate Lawn Tennis Association next spring are making arrangements for winter practice. There will probably be a harder fight then for first and second places, and should the Yale men have greater facilities for improving the playing of her representatives we think she would stand a fair chance of taking first place.

The first number of the *Advocate* for this term opens with some delightful verses on "Solitude." The *Advocate* has enjoyed an existence of eighteen years, a fact to be wondered at somewhat as Harvard has had rather curious experiences in one way and another in college journalism. We hope that whatever changes may be made in the future that this paper may always hold the high position which it so well deserves.

GENERAL COLLEGE NEWS.

CORNELL.—The report that the study of languages is to be abolished and the course made entirely scientific is incorrect.—Electrical Engineering has been introduced successfully.—The Athletic Association held their fall meeting on Oct. 13th. Among the events were, Hitch and Kick, and Glass Ball Shoot, the last being a tennis tournament.—There is a movement on foot to establish a "Correspondence University," in which students will receive instruction from a Professor by means of written correspondence.

PRINCETON.—The grounds which have heretofore been used for Athletics have been purchased by the Trustees, and will be extensively improved by the students.—The Glee Club, contrary to the usual custom, will this year give to the students several concerts, some of them free, others with admittance fee large enough to cover running expenses.—The Lacrosse team has entered the tournament for the Finch cup, to take place in New York early in November.—The foot ball team feels quite confident of beating Harvard.—The formation of a dramatic association is under consideration.—The tennis club will hire covered grounds on which to play during the winter nights.

YALE.—The glee club rehearses three times a week.—The opening of the new athletic grounds will be deferred until 1885, owing to the poor condition of the turf.—The Junior Promenade will be held February 5th.—The post-graduate course in the theory and practice of building railroads is attracting considerable attention.

MISCELLANEOUS.—At the University of Pennsylvania the Sophomores have developed a strong foot ball team.—Three Columbia men contributed to *Life* last summer.—Amherst and Dartmouth are to have daily papers. Harvard, Yale and Cornell are the only institutions where dailies have succeeded so far.—Brazil has fifty colleges and scientific schools.—There are 7,060 American students in German institutions.—The Foot Ball Association at Harvard has a surplus of nearly \$1,000.—Prof. Boyeson of Columbia will soon resume his Friday morning lectures or "talks" on German literature, prose, and poetry.—The corner stone of the new gymnasium was laid at Amherst, Oct. 13th. The building will cost \$50,000 and will be about 121 × 87 feet.

CLIPPINGS.

At a camp-meeting last summer a venerable sister began the hymn:

"My soul be on thy guard;
Ten thousand foes arise."

She began too high. "Ten thousand," she screeched, and stopped. "Start her at five thousand!" cried a converted stock-broker present.—*Yale News*.

Prof. of Chemistry, (planting his foot heavily on the floor): "Does my foot touch the floor?" Student silent. *Prof.*: "No, it does not; two atoms never touch."—*Ex*.

Vivacious Stranger: "Who is that gawky youth who can't manage his crush hat?"

Student: "Well I rather think that's my brother."

Vivacious Stranger: "O! I beg your pardon, I might have known it—I mean, O! Take me to my mamma!"—*Ex*.

"Mamma," said Harry, "what's the difference between goose and geese?" "Why, don't you know?" said four-year-old Annie, "one geese is a goose, and a whole lot of 'gooses is geese."—*Ex*.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
"I'm going to college, sir," she said.
"Are you a Junior, my pretty maid?"
"No, I'm a fresh-girl, sir," she said.
"What will you study, my pretty maid?"
"Lock's Critique of Crochet," she said.
"Do you ever cut college, my pretty maid?"

"Well, sometimes—not often, sir," she said.

"But do you smoke, my pretty maid?"

"Well, now you've hit me, sir," she said.

"What Prof. like you the best, my pretty maid?"

"I like them *all* very much," she said.

And with this she skipped around the corner to buy some chewing gum and fix up a crib for "Johnson's Evolution of Bangs."—*Acta*.

There was a man in our town,
And he was wonderous wise;
He wrote a crib upon a cuff
Of much diminished size.

But when he felt a little bored,
And yawned with arms extended,
This wise man gave himself away,
And straightway was suspended.—*Ex*.

"Why," asked Pat, one day, "why was Balaam a first-class astronomer?" The other man gave it up, of course. "Shure," said Pat, "twas because he had no trouble in finding an *ass to roid*."—*Ex*.

RONDO DU DODO.

Dude, disappear! From out New York
Betake thy way; and, like the stork,
Fold up thy legs beneath thy wing;
Pack up thy "bell," which does not ring.
Migrate, make tracks, light out, gawk!

And, Dude, before thou goest, walk
Unto some tailor's. Bid him chalk
A longer coat for thee. Then, thing,
Do disappear.

If our desires thou dost not balk,
Our tears upon thy catafalque
We'll shed, and then we'll sing:
"On earth they worked him with a string."
All this, oh Dude, to thee we'll squawk,
Dude, disappear! —*Acta*.

Prof. to young lady student: "Your mark is low and you have only just passed!"
Young Lady: "Oh, I'm so glad." *Prof.* (surprised): "Why?" *Young lady*: "I do so love a tight squeeze."—*Ex*.